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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 2811

Docket No.: 1293.1270

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Jeong-kwan LEE, et al.

Serial No. 09/982,086

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MICRO-LENS BUILT-IN VERTICAL CAVITY SURFACE EMITTING LASER For:

Group Art Unit: 2811

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Attention: BOX AF

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 23, 2002, and having a period for response set to expire on March 23, 2003.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please REPLACE claims 1, 6, 12, 17, and 23 in accordance with the following:

(ONCE AMENDED) A micro-lens built-in vertical cavity surface emitting laser

(VCSEL) comprising:

a substrate;

a lower reflector formed on the substrate;

an active layer formed on the lower reflector, generating light by a recombination of electrons and holes;

an upper reflector formed on the active layer comprising a lower reflectivity than that of the lower reflector;